Newspaper article headed 'ൺിമാനം' in the Mahathi.

257. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether their attention has been drawn to the article by "ൺിമാനം" calling the attention of the Panchayat Registrar on page 5 of the Mahathi newspaper of 3rd Mithunam 1108;

(2) whether it is a fact that a road has been put at Government expense for the special use of a Panchayat Member;

(3) whether it is a fact that if that amount was used for extending the road in question it would have been of great use to the public;

(4) whether the Panchayat Superintendent has been presented with a petition by the public as alleged in the article;

(5) if so, did he make any enquiry;

(6) if so, with what result; if not, why not;

(7) whether it is a fact that there is something wrong in the management of the Panchayat concerned?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(1) Yes.

(2) No.

(3) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (2) above.

(4) Yes.

(5) Yes.

(6) It was found that the allegations are groundless.

(7) No.

Allegation against Panchayat Overseer.

258. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether their attention has been drawn to the article from Pazhayannur from their own correspondent in the Mahathi newspaper, page 4, of 17th Mithunam 1108;

(b) whether they required into the alleged misconduct of the Overseer;

(c) whether it is true that the palmyra was felled from the poramboke;

(d) if so, had the Overseer permission from the Revenue authorities?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes; the Registrar of Village Panchayats enquired into the allegations.

(c) This has not come to the notice of the Government.

(d) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (c) above.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Did the Government inquire after they had notice of this question whether the Overseer felled a palmyra from the poramboke?

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Mr.P. V. Raphael.—The Overseer had not felled any palmyra and so there was no necessity to inquire into that.

Grant-in-aid dispensary for Kizhakkummuri—petition for.

259. **Mr. C. A. Ouseph.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have received a petition from the inhabitants of Kizhakkummuri and other villages praying for the grant of aid to a dispensary in their midst;

(b) when the petition was received;

(c) what action has been taken on the matter;

(d) whether they would be pleased to place the petition on the table?

Dr.D. Raghavendra Rao.—(a) Yes.

(b) In Vrischigam 1108.

(c) Government enquired into the merits of the petition and were favourably impressed.

(d) A copy of the petition is appended (*Appendix II.*)

Credit for unified one anna stamps.

260. **Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Will the Government be Pleased to state:—

(a) does the Anchal Department get full credit for all the unified one anna stamps used on anchal articles;

(b) if so, how is the distribution between Anchal and Stamp Revenue so correctly adjusted;

(c) what quantity of unified stamps are now in stock and how long are they expected to last;

(d) will there be any extra cost in effecting the separation; and if so, what amount;

(e) are the Government aware that in British India unified stamps have been separated into postal and revenue stamps?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—(a) No.

(b) The value of stamps used for acknowledgment alone is credited to Anchal Department.

(c) The stock in hand is worth Rs. 5,400. This together with the new supply will last for about three years.

(d) Yes; for making fresh dies, etc. Exact figures are not available.

(e) Yes.

Selling of stamps to stamp dealers.

261. **Mr. Paul P. Mampilli.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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